

infrastructure they use every day, and it is a losing deal for our kids and grandkids who will be forced to foot the bill.

We must reject this harmful proposal and work together on a bipartisan surface transportation bill that meets the mark for every American who relies on our Nation's transportation systems.

STOP PALESTINIAN EVICTIONS

(Ms. NEWMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. NEWMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise on behalf of the thousands of Palestinian families in the West Bank that face the prospect of eviction, demolition, and displacement from their homes by the Israeli Government.

We have received word that demolition orders have already begun for homes in the al-Bustan neighborhood of Silwan in East Jerusalem. A few months ago, families in Sheikh Jarrah and other neighborhoods faced a similar fate. Tomorrow, others will also.

After the devastation and bloodshed of the past few months and the continued toll of the coronavirus pandemic on Palestinian families, we cannot allow these evictions, demolitions, and displacements to further exacerbate this humanitarian crisis.

No individual or family should ever be forcibly removed from their home, not in the West Bank, not in Gaza, not in Europe, not in Asia, not really anywhere. It is wrong.

This crisis must end now. This is about human rights, dignity, and respect. If we are ever to achieve peace in the region, a true two-state solution, there must be a mutual understanding.

I once again urge the Biden administration to do everything in its power to stop the evictions.

CONGRATULATING ISABELLA KERN

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District 2021 Congressional Art Contest winner, Isabella Kern.

The annual art competition, organized by the Congressional Institute, showcases the artwork of high school students from across every congressional district in the country.

Isabella just graduated from Richland High School earlier this month. Her artwork titled "America's Working Woman" is an oil painting on canvas.

Isabella's work was selected by an independent panel of judges from 70 entries, which is the largest group of students to participate in the 15th District's congressional artwork competition.

All the winning pieces will be displayed for the year in the Cannon tun-

nel, where they will be viewed by Members of Congress, staff, and many visitors to the Capitol every day.

Congratulations, Isabella, and congratulations to all those in Pennsylvania's 15th District and throughout the Nation who participated in this competition and expressed their creative skills.

COMMENDING PENNSYLVANIA FOR REACHING FOURTH OF JULY VACCINATION GOAL

(Ms. DEAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, after a year of battling the coronavirus pandemic, my home Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ended its mask mandate.

I am proud of Pennsylvania for exceeding President Biden's goal for vaccinations by the Fourth of July. With over 75 percent of adults with one dose and 60 percent with both doses, we are safely lifting our mask mandate.

I salute my State's leadership in putting health and science first as we sought to get the virus under control.

When this pandemic started, no one knew how long it would take to get past these precautions. At times, it was difficult to see any return to normalcy, but we got there together.

I thank my constituents for their sacrifice. Pennsylvania families, teachers, students, workers, and businesses saved lives, jobs, and businesses.

As we are on our way to beating this pandemic, I look forward to seeing their smiling faces again on Independence Day.

Let's take lessons from this pandemic. American workers need higher wages. Healthcare is a right. School and childcare funding is vital. It is time to upgrade our infrastructure.

KENNY BEDNAREK REPRESENTS IOWA AND USA IN OLYMPICS

(Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, the Summer Olympics in Tokyo will kick off in less than a month, and I would be remiss not to mention a young track star from a college in my district who is making his first Olympic appearance.

Kenny Bednarek, a 22-year-old sprinter who hails from Indian Hills Community College in my hometown of Ottumwa, earned a spot on the USA Olympic team when he finished second in the men's 200-meter dash, with an impressive time of 19.78 seconds, becoming the first Iowa junior college athlete to qualify for the Olympic Games.

Though COVID-19 might have delayed the 2020 Summer Olympics, we are all glad to see that it is back on schedule, and Iowa's Second District is

proud to be represented by such a stellar athlete on Team USA.

I wish you the best, Kenny, and I know you will do great as you go on to Tokyo to represent both the United States and Iowa in the Summer Olympic Games.

I would also like to wish my brother Richard Miller a happy birthday. Richard was a Secret Service agent who guarded five Presidents. Happy birthday, Rick.

And happy Independence Day to our Nation.

TAKE ACTION ON WILDFIRES

(Ms. PORTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, 2020 was California's worst fire season on record, and 2021 has the potential to be even worse.

Wildfires damage property, pollute our air, and threaten lives, and we need to take action.

I have been calling for fair pay for Federal firefighters. These brave Americans put their lives on the line to keep our communities safe, and I am glad that the Biden administration recently committed to paying Federal firefighters at least \$15 an hour.

As we begin another fire season, we need to strengthen our coordination across levels of government to learn from past disasters. I have introduced legislation to create an independent board to closely examine and report on natural disasters. This will keep families safe and save taxpayers money.

And, of course, we need to tackle a key contributor to worsening fire seasons, the climate crisis.

As we move forward on infrastructure legislation, environmental protection must be a priority.

For the millions of Americans and Californians hurt by wildfires each year, doing nothing is not an option.

REQUEST TO CONSIDER H.R. 18, NO TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR ABORTION ACT

(Mrs. WALORSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to defend the unborn and protect taxpayers from being forced to fund abortions.

The Hyde amendment, which prohibits taxpayer dollars from paying for abortion, has enjoyed broad, bipartisan consensus since 1976, and a majority of Americans support it today. It is estimated to have saved nearly 2.5 million lives.

It saddens me that I now have to defend this commonsense provision from attacks by congressional Democrats and the Biden administration. Americans should not be forced to financially support the destruction of life.

That is why I am proud to cosponsor H.R. 18, the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act, which would codify this vital prohibition into law.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 18, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under guidelines consistently issued by successive Speakers, as recorded in section 956 of the House Rules and Manual, the Chair is constrained not to entertain the request unless it has been cleared by the bipartisan floor and committee leaderships.

DEFUNDING POLICE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, here we go again. The laughable attempt by senior White House officials to cast Republicans as those that want to defund the police is completely ridiculous.

They put up this fig leaf concept because we didn't support an irresponsible, nearly \$2 trillion spending package, which had a tiny portion of it—\$350 million out of \$2 trillion—possibly to be able to go for local government to decide its own use for police. That is what the whole premise is on. So somehow, Republicans are defunding the police.

Well, I think that is the mantra we have seen come from the Democrats, some in this Chamber and many at the local government level.

In New York, for example, one Member from this Chamber said: "Defunding police means defunding police." New York City proceeded to cut \$1 billion from the NYPD.

In Minneapolis, another Member said that it is time to "reimagine public safety in Minneapolis." They went on to cut over \$6 million. But after seeing the error of their ways, they are now restoring the money.

In Los Angeles, for example, there were calls for a cut of \$100 million, and now they are restoring that. Amazing.

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INVESTING IN A NEW VISION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION IN AMERICA ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3684) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 5 OFFERED BY MS. DAVIDS OF KANSAS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unin-

ished business is the question on the adoption of amendments en bloc No. 5, printed in House Report 117-75, on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendments en bloc.

The Clerk redesignated the amendments en bloc.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentlewoman from Kansas (Ms. DAVIDS).

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 217, nays 199, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 205]

YEAS—217

Adams	Gomez	O'Halleran
Aguilar	Gonzalez,	Ocasio-Cortez
Allred	Vicente	Omar
Auchincloss	Gottheimer	Pallone
Axne	Green, Al (TX)	Panetta
Barragán	Grijalva	Pappas
Bass	Harder (CA)	Pascarell
Beatty	Hayes	Payne
Bera	Higgins (NY)	Perlmutter
Beyer	Himes	Peters
Bishop (GA)	Horsford	Phillips
Blumenauer	Houlahan	Pingree
Blunt Rochester	Hoyer	Pocan
Bonamici	Huffman	Porter
Bourdeaux	Jackson Lee	Pressley
Bowman	Jacobs (CA)	Price (NC)
Boyle, Brendan F.	Jayapal	Quigley
Brown	Jeffries	Raskin
Brownley	Johnson (TX)	Rice (NY)
Bush	Jones	Ross
Bustos	Kahele	Ruiz
Butterfield	Kaptur	Ruppersberger
Cabajal	Katko	Rush
Carson	Keating	Ryan
Carter (LA)	Kelly (IL)	Sánchez
Cartwright	Khanna	Sarbanes
Case	Kildee	Scanlon
Casten	Kilmer	Schakowsky
Castor (FL)	Kim (NJ)	Schiff
Castro (TX)	Kind	Schneider
Chu	Kirkpatrick	Schrader
Cicilline	Krishnamoorthi	Schrier
Clark (MA)	Kuster	Scott (VA)
Clarke (NY)	Lamb	Scott, David
Cleaver	Langevin	Sewell
Clyburn	Larsen (WA)	Sherman
Cohen	Larson (CT)	Sherrill
Connolly	Lawrence	Sires
Cooper	Lawson (FL)	Slotkin
Correa	Lee (CA)	Smith (WA)
Costa	Lee (NV)	Soto
Courtney	Leger Fernandez	Spanberger
Craig	Levin (CA)	Speier
Crist	Levin (MI)	Stansbury
Crow	Lieu	Stanton
Cuellar	Lofgren	Stevens
Davids (KS)	Lowenthal	Strickland
Davis, Danny K.	Luria	Suozzi
Dean	Lynch	Swalwell
DeFazio	Malinowski	Takano
DeGette	Maloney,	Thompson (CA)
DeLauro	Carolyn B.	Thompson (MS)
DelBene	Maloney, Sean	Titus
Delgado	Manning	Tlaib
Demings	Matsui	Tonko
DeSaulnier	McBath	Torres (CA)
Deutch	McCollum	Torres (NY)
Dingell	McEachin	Trahan
Doggett	McGovern	Trone
Doyle, Michael F.	McNerney	Underwood
Escobar	Meeks	Vargas
Eshoo	Meng	Veasey
Españat	Mfume	Vela
Evans	Moore (WI)	Velázquez
Fitzpatrick	Morelle	Wasserman
Fletcher	Moulton	Schultz
Foster	Mrvan	Waters
Gallego	Murphy (FL)	Watson Coleman
Garamendi	Nadler	Welch
Garcia (IL)	Napolitano	Wexton
Garcia (TX)	Neal	Wild
Golden	Neguse	Williams (GA)
	Newman	Wilson (FL)
	Norcross	Yarmuth

NAYS—199

Aderholt	Gonzalez (OH)	Moolenaar
Allen	Good (VA)	Mooney
Amodei	Gooden (TX)	Moore (AL)
Armstrong	Gosar	Moore (UT)
Arrington	Granger	Mullin
Babin	Graves (LA)	Murphy (NC)
Bacon	Graves (MO)	Nehls
Baird	Green (TN)	Newhouse
Balderson	Greene (GA)	Norman
Banks	Griffith	Nunes
Barr	Grothman	Oberholte
Bentz	Guest	Owens
Bergman	Guthrie	Palazzo
Bice (OK)	Harris	Palmer
Biggs	Harshbarger	Pence
Billirakis	Hartzler	Perry
Bishop (NC)	Hern	Pfuger
Boebert	Herrell	Posey
Bost	Herrera Beutler	Reed
Brady	Hice (GA)	Reschenthaler
Brooks	Higgins (LA)	Rice (SC)
Buchanan	Hill	Rodgers (WA)
Buck	Hinson	Rogers (AL)
Bucshon	Hollingsworth	Rose
Budd	Hudson	Rosendale
Burchett	Huizenga	Rouzer
Burgess	Issa	Rutherford
Calvert	Jacobs (NY)	Salazar
Cammack	Johnson (LA)	Scalise
Carl	Johnson (OH)	Schweikert
Carter (GA)	Johnson (SD)	Scott, Austin
Carter (TX)	Jordan	Sessions
Cawthorn	Joyce (OH)	Simpson
Chabot	Joyce (PA)	Smith (MO)
Cline	Keller	Smith (NE)
Clyde	Kelly (MS)	Smith (NJ)
Cole	Kelly (PA)	Smucker
Comer	Kim (CA)	Spartz
Crawford	Kinzinger	Staubert
Crenshaw	Kustoff	Steel
Curtis	LaHood	Stefanik
Davidson	LaMalfa	Steil
Davis, Rodney	Lamborn	Steube
DesJarlais	Latta	Stewart
Diaz-Balart	LaTurner	Taylor
Donalds	Lesko	Tenney
Duncan	Letlow	Thompson (PA)
Dunn	Long	Tiffany
Emmer	Loudermilk	Timmons
Estes	Lucas	Turner
Fallon	Luetkemeyer	Upton
Feenstra	Mace	Valadao
Ferguson	Malliotakis	Van Drew
Fischbach	Mann	Van Dyne
Fitzgerald	Massie	Wagner
Fleischmann	Mast	Walberg
Fortenberry	McCarthy	Walorski
Fox	McCaul	Waltz
Franklin, C.	McClain	Webster (FL)
Scott	McClintock	Wenstrup
Gaetz	McHenry	Westerman
Gallagher	McKinley	Wilson (SC)
Garbarino	Meijer	Wittman
Garcia (CA)	Meuser	Womack
Gibbs	Miller (IL)	Young
Gimenez	Miller (WV)	Zeldin
Gonzales, Tony	Miller-Meeks	

NOT VOTING—14

Cárdenas	Gohmert	Roy
Cheney	Hagedorn	Roybal-Allard
Cloud	Jackson	Weber (TX)
Frankel, Lois	Johnson (GA)	Williams (TX)
Fulcher	Rogers (KY)	

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Mr. VARGAS changes his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the en bloc amendments were agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 205.

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 205.